

DOWN TO BUSINESS NOW

The Legislature Cuts off all Needless Debate

IMPORTANT BILLS PASSED

Biennial Elections Seem to be Assured

A Number of Other Measures Which Were Favorably Acted upon Yesterday

Topeka, Feb. 25.—Senator Morrow today introduced a concurrent resolution providing that each house shall cease considering bills and resolutions originating in it Wednesday noon and from that time until Friday noon only consider messages and bills originating in the other. From Friday noon until final adjournment no business shall be transacted except the receipt of messages from the governor. The resolution was adopted by the senate.

In order to facilitate business the house today adopted a resolution limiting speeches to five minutes. No member except the author of a motion shall be allowed to speak more than once.

BIENNIAL ELECTIONS.

Topeka, Feb. 25.—Hallett's bill providing for biennial elections was recommended for passage by the house in committee of the whole today. Under the provisions of the act the county elections this coming fall are thrown over for one year. All of the county officers except sheriffs and treasurers who are now serving their second terms will hold over. The constitution provides that sheriffs and treasurers shall only hold office four years. The governor will have to appoint treasurers and sheriffs for the short term.

County commissioners will be chosen as usual and so will township officers. However, a constitutional amendment will be submitted at the next election providing for biennial election of those officers.

FEES AND SALARIES BILL.

Topeka, Feb. 25.—The senate to-night consigned all general county fee and salary bills to the grave. At two different sittings the senate has wrangled at length over the fee and salary bills, and to-night they were all suddenly put to death.

TEXAS FEVER BILL PASSED.

Topeka, Feb. 25.—Senator Fitzpatrick got his cattle quarantine bill through the committee of the whole in the senate to-night, after a hard fight. It provides for the appointment of inspectors and places an inspection fee of 2 cents a head on cattle brought in from south of the line. It also requires inspection during the open season.

NEW K. S. A. C. REGENTS.

Topeka, Feb. 25.—Governor Stanley today made the following appointments and sent them to the senate for confirmation:

Regents of the agricultural college—F. D. Coburn, Wyandotte; J. S. McDowell, Smith; R. J. Brock, Riley, and S. J. Stewart, Allen.

THE ALIEN LAND BILL.

Topeka, Feb. 25.—By a bare constitutional majority—twenty-one votes—the senate today repealed the alien land law. If the bill goes through the house, foreigners can buy all the land they want in Kansas.

Topeka, Feb. 26.—Senator Stewart got on his mettle today and pushed through his bill prohibiting the waste of gas in the natural gas belt. An effort was made to block the bill, but he said with warmth that he had asked no favors before this session and that he insisted on being shown a little courtesy. All objections were withdrawn and his bill was passed.

EXPOSITION SCHEME TURNED DOWN.

Topeka, Feb. 26.—The house ways and means committee has turned down the Kansas semi-centennial appropriation. It has recommended a \$20,000 appropriation for the Buffalo exposition and \$60,000 for the St. Louis exposition in 1903. The senate will take up the various exposition bills under special order to-morrow morning.

HOUSE PASSES ANTI-FUSION BILL.

Topeka, Feb. 26.—The Pestana anti-fusion election bill was passed in the house today by a vote of 71 to 35. It contains a few amendments which will be concurred in by the senate to-morrow. The bill will go to the governor Thursday.

SEATON'S TAX SALE BILL PASSED.

Topeka, Feb. 26.—The senate today passed Seaton's bill which gives a county the right to acquire absolute title to property bid in at tax sale for three years in succession, and to sell it and give a fee simple title. The bill has gone through the house and will go to the governor for his signature to-morrow.

SENATE FOR BETTER BOOKS.

Topeka, Feb. 26.—The senate took up the Nelson-Crattan bill today which passed the House gutted of its worst features and fixed it up so that

if it becomes a law the State can get good text books. It passed by a vote of 28 to 8. It has gone to the House for concurrence.

CLYDE MILLER TO SUCCEED ALLEN.

Topeka, Feb. 26.—Governor Stanley will name Clyde Miller, of Osage City, as his private secretary to succeed Henry J. Allen, resigned. Mr. Miller is a prominent young Republican of Osage county and a son of Senator H. B. Miller. He is a recent graduate of the state university.

OLD SOLDIERS HUFFY

Decline to March in the Inaugural Procession

Washington, Feb. 27.—Veteran organizations of the civil and Spanish wars have officially declined to participate in the inaugural parade on March 4. The decision affects organizations in the Grand Army of the Republic, the Union Veterans Union and the Spanish war veterans. The dissatisfaction of the veterans with the place assigned them in the parade is responsible for today's action. It was their wish to act as the personal escort to the President. Grand Marshal Greene, on the contrary, assigned them to a position in the line ahead of the civic organizations and following the national guard. General Daniel Sickles today notified General Greene that the veterans had declined to participate in the parade, and he tendered his resignation as marshal of the veteran division.

GEN. BOTHA GIVES UP

London Paper Says He Has Surrendered to Gen. Kitchener.

London, Feb. 28.—The Evening Sun extra says that General Botha has surrendered to General Kitchener.

LONDON IS EXCITED

London, Feb. 27.—London is eagerly awaiting the official confirmation of Botha's surrender. It would be the signal for a general popular demonstration. Since Cronje surrendered Botha has been the mainstay of the Transvaal. The Pall Mall Gazette this morning says Botha surrendered at Middleburg at nine o'clock this morning.

AMENDMENTS ADOPTED

The Army Bill Goes Through by a Good Majority

Washington, Feb. 27.—The Spooner amendment to the army appropriation bill, providing a system of government for the Philippines, was adopted 45 to 25, by the senate tonight. The Cuban amendment to the army bill was also adopted. The vote was 43 to 20.

At 12:54 Thursday morning the senate passed the army appropriation bill, as amended, by a vote of 43 to 18.

ENGLAND'S ANSWER

Says She Can't Accept the Amended Canal Treaty

Manchester, Feb. 28.—The Guardian's New York correspondent cables to his paper that Lord Lansdowne has notified Washington that England refuses to accept the amended Nicaragua Canal treaty. Great Britain is unable to admit the senate's right to abrogate the Clayton-Bulwer treaty.

A RAISE IN SALARIES.

Kansas Legislators Want to Amend the Constitution.

Topeka, Feb. 27.—The Senate today, by a vote of 27 yeas to 10 nays, adopted the house concurrent resolution, providing for an amendment to the constitution, increasing the salaries of members of the legislature from \$3 a day to \$5 for the term of a regular session. The resolution passed as it came from the House, without amendment.

Remarkable Cures of Rheumatism

From the Vindicator, Rutherfordton, N. C. The editor of the Vindicator has had occasion to test the efficacy of Chamberlain's Pain Balm twice with the most remarkable results in each case. First, with rheumatism in the shoulder from which he suffered excruciating pain for ten days, which was relieved with two applications of Pain Balm, rubbing the parts afflicted and realizing instant benefit and entire relief in a very short time. Second, in rheumatism in the thigh joint, almost prostrating him with severe pain, which was relieved by two applications, rubbing with the liniment on retiring at night, and getting up free from pain. For sale by Iola druggists.

Buy You a Home Cheap.

See the lots in the Travis addition to Gas City. Desirable location, prices reasonable, no smelter smoke, addition all piped with gas and furnished at same rate as gas in Iola. Terms \$30.00 \$40.00 \$50.00 \$60.00 with payments of ten dollars down. Balance to be paid in terms to suit purchaser.

For particulars write to Miss Sada Travis LaHarpe, Kansas.

A Horrible Outbreak.

"Of large sores on my little daughter's head developed into a case of scald head," writes C. D. Isbill, of Morganton, Tenn., "but Bucklen's Arnica Salve completely cured her." It is a guaranteed cure for eczema, tetter salt rheum, pimples, sores, ulcers and piles. Only 25c. Evans Bros.

THE CUBAN PLATFORM

The Constitutional Convention has Finished

That Part of the Constitution Bearing on Relations With U. S.

WANTS FREE TRADE WITH US

Assumes the Obligations Taken by the U. S.

In the Treaty With Paris—Will not Compromise its Independence

Havana, Feb. 27.—The constitutional convention remained in session until 3 o'clock this morning completing the work of drawing up the clauses in the constitution referring to the relations between Cuba and the United States. A public session will be held this afternoon, to sign the following resolutions, which have been adopted:

"First—The government of Cuba will not make a treaty or agreement with any foreign power which will compromise or limit the independence of Cuba or which may permit or authorize any power to obtain by means of colonization or for military or naval purposes or in any other manner, any foothold or authority or right over any portion of Cuba.

"Second—The government will not permit its territory to be used as a base of operations for war against the United States or against any foreign nation.

"Third—The government of Cuba accepts in its entirety the treaty of Paris, in which are affirmed the rights of Cuba, to the extent of the obligations which are explicitly indicated in these, and especially those which the international law imposes for the protection of life and property, and substitutes itself for the United States in the pledge, which they assumed in that sense according to articles 12 and 162 of the treaty of Paris.

"Fourth—Cuba recognizes as legally valid all acts of the military government during the period of occupation, also the rights arising out of them, in conformity with the joint resolution and the Foraker amendment and the existing laws of the country.

"Fifth—The governments of the United States and Cuba ought to regulate their commercial relations by means of a treaty based on reciprocity and with tendencies toward free trade in natural and manufactured products, mutually assuring ample special advantages in their respective markets."

ARE TAKING THE OATH

Filipinos Flocking to Standard of the United States

Manila, Feb. 27.—Pro-American sentiment is spreading in insurgent strongholds. Six hundred and sixty-five persons voluntarily took the oath of allegiance at Camiling, province of Albay, at one time reported as, next to Luzon, the worst insurgent center, and 584 took the oath at Calamba.

Captain Chase, with a detachment of the Twenty-first regiment, in a three days' scouting expedition, dispersed 200 insurgents and destroyed their main camp, that of Pedro Gabeles. Lieutenant James, with a detachment of the Eighth infantry, raided a Ladrone rendezvous at Makqueling, island of Polo, killing two men, securing 175 prisoners and destroying twenty tons of rice and other insurgent supplies.

WILLIAM EVARTS DEAD

Was Formerly United States Senator and a Prominent Jurist.

New York, Feb. 28.—William Maxwell Everts, former United States Senator and one of the most foremost jurists of the country, died this morning.

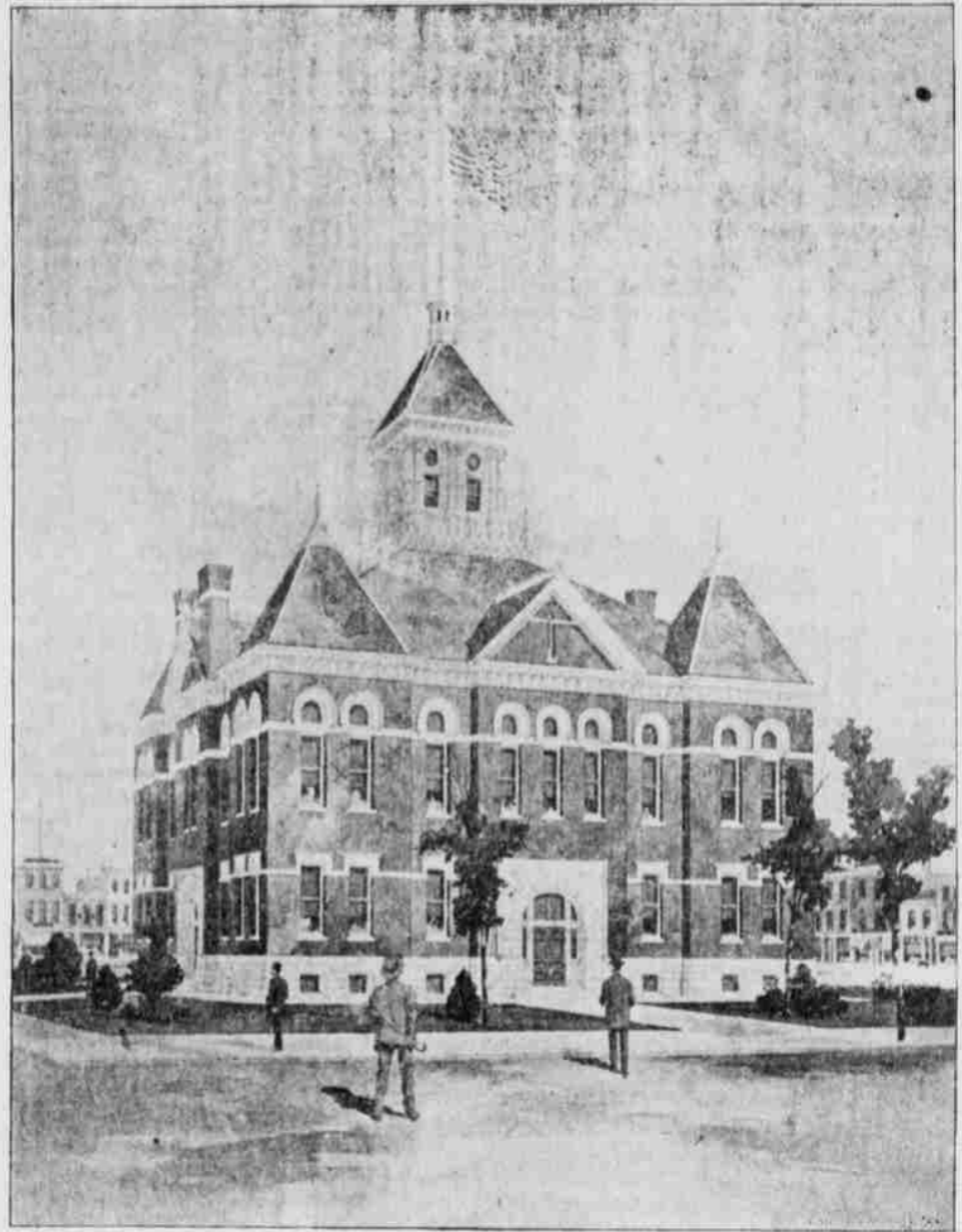
Everts was federal attorney general, Secretary of State, a leading lawyer in the Alabama claims, the Henry Ward Beecher case, President Johnson's impeachment proceedings and the Hayes-Tilden presidential controversy. He was eighty-three years old. Pneumonia caused his death.

BOER BOOK COMES HIGH

Webster Davis Gets \$180,000 for His Boer Sympathy.

Kansas City, Mo., Webster Davis, former assistant secretary of the interior announces that his Boer book has been acquired by a New York syndicate for one hundred and eighty thousand dollars or two dollars and sixty cents a word.

THE WOODSON COUNTY COURT HOUSE



Through the courtesy of the Yates Center News the REGISTER prints today a picture of the court house recently completed in the public square at Yates Center. It cost about \$30,000 and materially adds to the convenience of Woodson county's official business. Woodson county is credited with a population of 9,313 while Allen county last year had 19,950 population.

SEWER BILL IS SURE LOST

Adversely Reported by House Committee and Apparently Neglected and Died of Loneliness.

W. H. McClure returned yesterday noon from Topeka where he went as a member of the Kansas Exposition committee which passed into the great beyond a few days ago. He investigated the bill permitting Iola to sell water outside the city limits and found that it had passed all right. The sewer bill, one of the most vitally important to Iola right now because it means the salvation of the town from epidemics of typhoid fever and also means a revenue from the waterworks, was found to be dead. It was introduced in the House, but adversely reported by the committee. Mr. Stewart tried to get it on the calendar but failed to connect with the revision committee and when too late found the chairman and was told that nothing could be done. This result will cause considerable regret in Iola for it was the most important bill so far as this town is concerned of the session.

\$542,589.56 in the Banks.

The seems little danger that Iola people will starve to death for lack of the wherewithal to buy food, that is for a day or two. The bank statements recently published in the REGISTER show that the deposits continue to increase in the two banks, there being on hand at the close of business early this month \$542,589.56. That means nearly \$80 for every man, woman and child in town. And in the list of depositors there are comparatively few who carry \$1000, the deposits belonging to hundreds of people who are making enough money so that they can save above their daily needs. Many of the smelter boys keep accounts at the banks and regularly on pay days march in with their books and "stash" away a ten or a twenty dollar gold piece. If one or two men were making all the money, the situation would not be so pleasing, but when hundreds are able to save, there is cause for joy.

Funeral of Mose Pickell.

The remains of the late Mose Pickell were brought up from Humboldt Thursday noon on the Santa Fe and the funeral was held at the home of his sister, Mrs. A. J. Fulton at 2:30, Rev. Fenn, of the Humboldt Methodist church, officiating, assisted by Rev. J. A. Leonard, of the Iola church. A large number of friends of the deceased accompanied the remains from Humboldt and the services were largely attended. Mr. Pickell was one of the old residents, and in the long years of his life spent in Allen county he injured no man, dying with the esteem of all who knew him. He was a bachelor, and was a brother to J. W. Pickell of Humboldt and Mrs. Fulton, Mrs. A. W. Beck and Mrs. L. H. Wishard of this city.

Van Meter—Ewart.

At 6 o'clock yesterday at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. D. Ewart, Mr. Maurice V. Van Meter and Miss Ella Ewart will be united in marriage, Rev. Wright, the bride's grandfather performing the ceremony. The young people will leave Saturday for Wellsville, where they will make their future home. The ceremony will be witnessed by only the immediate relatives of the contracting parties. Miss Ewart is the next to the youngest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ewart and has lived in Iola nearly all of her life and has a wide circle of friends who will join in wishing her every joy and happiness. Mr. Van Meter is a graduate of the state university law school and is practicing his profession in Wellsville, where he met Miss Ewart, who was assisting in running her father's store at that point. Mr. Van Meter's mother arrived from Wellsville on the afternoon train to witness the marriage and the bride's sister, Miss Abbie Ewart from Wellsville and her cousin, Roy Rankin, from Emporia, were the out of town guests. The REGISTER joins in congratulations and good wishes.

Starkweather—Bostwick.

A copy of the Tacoma Evening News of February 22, received by D. W. Bostwick, brings the happy news that on the afternoon of that date Miss Hattie Bostwick, formerly a teacher here, was married to Mr. Rufus Starkweather, in the presence of the relatives of the contracting parties in the parlors of the Hotel Bostwick. Mr. Starkweather is the Tacoma manager of the mutual Mercantile Agency, and Miss Hattie has been assistant secretary of the Tacoma board of education. The young people will reside in Tacoma. The REGISTER and hosts of Allen county friends join in good wishes.

The Court House Tax Levy.

As there are conflicting reports out over the county as to the levy to be made for a court house, provided the election carries, the REGISTER feels impelled to give the exact figures. It is proposed to raise \$50,000 by a levy of 24 mills on the dollar for three years, the assessed valuation this year being \$5,636,000. That means that each year the man who pays taxes on \$1000 assessment will pay 25 cents toward the court house, the man who pays on \$1000 worth of property will pay \$2.50 annually on the court house and the man whose property is assessed at \$10,000 will pay \$25 annually. For the three years, therefore, the total cost to the individual taxpayer will be 75 cents on each \$1000 of his assessed property. The money will begin coming in next December and work cannot begin before the fall of 1902 or the spring of 1903.

FOR SALE—38 head of sheep. One half mile south and two miles east of Geneva. C. S. LAKE.

TO CURE A COLD IN ONE DAY Take Laxative Bromo Quinine Tablets. All druggists refund the money if it fails to cure. E. W. Grove's signature is on each box. 25c.

ADDITIONAL LOCAL NEWS.

Palmer & Coffield have the frame up for an office building on west street next Joe Otten's place for their marble works.

A postal card from D. Simms, who is being treated in the University Hospital at Kansas City for cancer, brings the good news that he is decidedly better.

Mrs. Ziesing and children arrived this afternoon from LaSalle, Ill., and will make Iola their home. Mr. Ziesing is proprietor of the new smelter to be operated in connection with the acid works.

The men who recently took charge of the Iola planing mill, report that they have all the work they can do, orders coming in rapidly enough to keep them busy. Yesterday they delivered thirty-three pews to the Episcopal church.

G. H. Lamb, of Yates Center, formerly senator from this district, was chosen Master Workman of the A. O. U. W., and F. L. Scott was chosen as the next place of meeting. Both of these selections will please Allen county Workmen.

Miss Ida West, whose family resides south of town, recently graduated from the Iola Business College. She has been living at the home of J. M. Williamson and will leave Saturday for Danville Illinois, where she has prospects of securing a good position.

Mr. Chapman, the new proprietor of the foundry is building a frame addition to the building and has quite a large force at work. He will soon be ready to begin making castings and the demand right here in the county is so great the plant will be kept constantly busy.

Miss Nellie Colburn today received a marked copy of the Los Angeles, Calif., Times, containing an extract from the REGISTER. Which goes to show that if you want the whole civilized earth and Missourians to know what's happening to you, you must tell it to the REGISTER.

About fifteen lady members of Dorothy Rebeckah lodge filled their baskets with good grub yesterday and proceeded to the home of Mrs. G. Goff to spend the day. An elegant dinner was spread and disposed of and when the dishes were "done" they turned themselves loose and played and played and played. They all agreed they had a lovely time and Mrs. Goff was so pleased that she said she didn't care if they did it again.

The record breaking smallpox story comes from Parsons: Mrs. M. E. Peterson, proprietress of a grocery store in this city, was quarantined on account of having smallpox. John Russell evaded the watchman and went to a window and talked to the patient. He was discovered and quarantined with Mrs. Peterson. That evening they called for a minister and were married with the preacher fifty feet away, shouting the ceremony from the sidewalk, shorter range being forbidden by health officers.